



WELCOME to
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH
Spartanburg, SC

First Presbyterian Church is a community of believers committed to
“Glorifying God and Sharing Christ Together through Word and Deed.”

SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

AUGUST 15, 2021

8:30AM CHAPEL

10:30AM SANCTUARY

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME AND INVITATION

One: This is the day that the Lord has made;

All: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

OPENING VOLUNTARY

When, in Our Music, God is Glorified

Anna Laura Page

ACOLYTE (10:30)

INTROIT (10:30)

Your Faithfulness, O Lord, Is Sure

WINCHESTER NEW

✠CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases.

All: **God's mercies never come to an end.**

One: The mercies of God are new every morning.

All: **Great is Your faithfulness. Great is Your love.
Great is Your mercy. And greatly is Your name to be praised!**

HYMN 39

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God,

you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you.

We humbly confess our sins and ask for your mercy.

We have not loved you with a pure heart,

nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves.

You call us into bold new ventures of faith,

but we lack the courage to follow where you lead.

Our faith is weak.

We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God.

Have mercy on us, O God,

and cleanse us from our sin.

Give us the faith to see your path and the courage to follow you.

Hear us, Loving God, as we offer the prayers that lie upon our hearts...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.
In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.

All: **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

✠RESPONSE

HYMN 581

GLORIA PATRI

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.*

✠PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

One: Let us greet one another in the name of Christ.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

✠ *Please Stand*

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (10:30) *I to the Hills Will Lift My Eyes*

DUNDEE

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Daniel 3:19-30
1 Corinthians 4:1-2, 9-17

SERMON

The Fruit of the Spirit: Faithfulness

Dr. Lewis F. Galloway

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God the Father Almighty; Maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP: MOBILE MEALS

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

(8:30)

I Walk a Stranger on this Land

Dale Wood

(10:30)

If God Be For Us

Clifford McCormick

✠DOXOLOGY

HYMN 606

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

BEARING THE WORD TO THE WORLD

HYMN 687

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

ST. ANNE

✠CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✠BENEDICTION RESPONSE

HYMN 175, VERSE 1

LAFFERTY

*Seek ye first the kingdom of God
and its righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia!*

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Postlude on Darwall's 148th

Charles Callahan

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICES

Dr. Lewis F. Galloway
Mr. R. Holt Andrews

Holt Andrews, Director
Erica Pauly, Guest Organist

Elder Mr. Vollie C. Bailey, IV

Summer Choir
Rafe Andrews

Mr. David S. Evans, Acolyte

The Flowers in the Sanctuary

are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of

Bobby Freeman

by his family.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15, 2021

CHECK IN TO WORSHIP!

If you are a church member, download the *ShelbyNext | Membership App*. After you download and launch the app, enter "firstpres.shelbynextchms.com" for the domain and your username and password. Instructions on how to get your username and password: fpcspartanburg.org/discover/member-login. Once you have the app downloaded, each Sunday when you arrive at church, open your ShelbyNext App and click "Check In" ("allow" it to know your location). Then click on "who" you are checking in, choose the worship service, then "Done."

If you would prefer not to download this app or you are one of our precious visitors, please sign the Fellowship Pad as it is passed down the pew. Our ushers will gather those after the service.

TOMORROW – CHRISTMAS IN AUGUST – PREPARING FOR ADVENT The Sanctuary Guild will meet on Monday, August 16 at 10:00am in the Purnell Room. If you are interested in enhancing our church campus for special occasions, you are encouraged to attend.

WEDNESDAY – THE PERFECT BLEND... "*Coffee and Friends with a Couple of Pastors Added In!*" On Wednesday, August 18, join Rev. Leslie Lang and Dr. Lewis Galloway at 10:30am in the Large Private Dining Room in Fogartie Hall for Coffee, Friends, and a Spiritual Boost for your day!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29

RALLY DAY Summer may be ending, but the beginning of fall brings new adventures for FPC kids as they move into a new school year. During all three worship services, we will commission our leaders in church educational ministry.

SUMMER SIZZLE After the 10:30am Worship Services, there will be Food Trucks, Water Games, and many more fun family activities in the FLC Parking Lot. Please bring lawn chairs and swimsuits for the children.

SHELTER SERVICE Shelter is a special time of worship where connection to God can be found through meditative scripture and reflective songs. Tonight, Rafe Andrews and members of the band will lead us in a special time of worship; Rev. Ansley Page will deliver the message. We encourage you to join us at 6:00pm in a transformed Fogartie Hall as we raise *Hallelujahs* and look to our *Everlasting Light* for Shelter.

PEACE AND JUSTICE TASK FORCE This Spring, the Session unanimously moved to convene a Peace and Justice Task Force to discuss and respond to social justice issues in our community. The Peace and Justice Taskforce of First Presbyterian Church of Spartanburg is a proactive congregational work group for peacemaking and justice issues around racism and discrimination in our community, and also provides a forum for timely responses on these issues and events. Many of the resources that are being discussed and introduced come from our own Foothills Presbytery: <https://foothillspresbytery.org/anti-racism-resources/>. The scripture reference that is being focused on this month is Isaiah 58:6. To find out more about the Peace and Justice Taskforce, please reach out to Dawn Bingham or Jessalyn Story, or *attend the August meeting on Friday, August 27, 12:30-1:30 in the Purnell Room.*

HOSPITALITY TIME Between Services this morning, stop by the Perrin Room - just down the hallway from the Tower Room - for a refreshing beverage. Feel free to take a few minutes to visit with other church members and visitors. If you have any questions about First Presbyterian, our Hospitality Team would like to help you find the answer. Additionally, if you are a church member in need of a Sonitrol Key Card, please come by to have your picture taken; your card should be available within the week (no charge for your first card; replacements are \$10).

AS MOBILE MEALS RESTARTS DAILY MEAL DELIVERY THIS FALL, they need volunteers to serve as delivery drivers. One time, once a month, once a week - whatever time you can contribute would be greatly appreciated. Please join in with one of FPC's oldest mission partners in truly relational mission work that reaches into neighborhoods across Spartanburg County! If you are interested in helping, please contact Vivian Tanner, Mobile Meals' Director of Volunteer Services (864-573-7684 / vivian@mobile-meals.org).

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MISSION TRIP - FEBRUARY 5-12, 2022 We need you! Please join First Presbyterian Spartanburg on an international mission to the Dominican Republic. FPC has made a commitment to visiting and sharing our resources with our sisters and brothers in the Caribbean that need our help. Partnering with Solid Rock International, FPC Spartanburg sends a yearly team of doctors, dentists, nurses, and others to provide medical and dental services as well as build construction projects and sponsor children in the Solid Rock schools. Cost: \$1,500. Visit fpcspartanburg.org/DRmission for more information and to register.

WAYS TO GIVE: ① Scan the QR Code with the camera on your phone; it will direct you to our online giving portal; ② Place your gift in the Offering Plate as it is passed during the service; ③ Click "Give Online" at fpcspartanburg.org/give; ④ Text the word "GIVE" to 864/309-0816; ⑤ Mail a check to the church (address on back of bulletin); ⑥ Give via the ShelbyNext App
Questions? Contact Lynise Clarke, Church Financial Officer, at lclarke@fpcspartanburg.org



FINANCIAL UPDATE (as of Sunday, August 8)

<u>2021 Budget</u>	<u>Needed to date</u>	<u>Received to date</u>	<u>Difference</u>
\$2,780,169	\$1,710,873	\$1,415,111	\$(295,762)

Please prayerfully consider what you can do to support Christ's ministry through your church.

IF YOU NEED TO CONTACT A MINISTER FOR A PASTORAL CONCERN, call 864-208-2142, day or night. The minister on-call will answer your call as soon as possible.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL @ 9:30AM

Children

Nursery: 6 months – 3 years in Room C105; Preschool: Room C110; Elementary: Room C201

Youth

Middle School Students: Middle School Classroom; High School Students: High School Classroom
All Youth Rooms are on the Second Floor of the Family Life Center

Adults

Summer Sunday School Series (9:30-10:15) Social Hall

This summer, you are invited to join a class on the great sweeping story of the Bible. We will be guided by the new book by Dr. George Thompson entitled, Welcome to the One Great Story. Led by Dr. Lewis Galloway and Dr. Lewis Johnson, the class will help us understand how to interpret the wide variety of literature in the Bible and how the many stories of the Bible come together to tell one great story. This class is designed for all levels of familiarity with the scriptures.

Mountaintop Moments (9:45-10:15) Parlor

Grab coffee and come catch up with church friends in the Parlor. Rev. Ansley Page will offer a devotion and discussion around mountaintop moments in Scripture and how they connect with our stories. A little extra lift for your Sunday morning!

WORSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15

- 8:30am Traditional Worship (Chapel)
- 10:00am Summer Sizzle:
Blessing of the Backpacks (Front Lawn)
- 10:30am MorningSong Worship (Fogartie Hall)
- 10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22

- 8:30am Traditional Worship (Chapel)
- 10:30am MorningSong Worship (Fogartie Hall)
- 10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29

Rally Day

- 8:30am Traditional Worship (Chapel)
- 10:30am MorningSong Worship (Fogartie Hall)
- 10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:30am Summer Sizzle: End of Summer Bash (FLC Parking Lot)
- 6:00pm Shelter Worship (Fogartie Hall)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Communion

- 10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Return to Fall Worship Schedule

- 8:45am Traditional Worship (Chapel)
- 8:45am MorningSong Worship (Fogartie Hall)
- 11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

WAF Begins

- 5:00pm Dinner Line Opens
- 5:00pm Children's Choirs
- 6:15pm Christian Recreation for Children
- 6:30pm Adult and Youth Programs
- 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

- 8:45am Traditional Worship (Chapel)
- 8:45am MorningSong Worship (Fogartie Hall)
- 11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)



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